

and consumer protection issues, focusing on managed care and fee-for-service plans, after receiving testimony from Bruce M. Fried, Director, Office of Managed Care, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Kathleen Sebelius, Kansas State Office of the Commissioner of Insurance, Topeka; Judith G. Waxman, Families U.S.A. Foundation, Washington, D.C.; William L. Roper, Prudential HealthCare, Roseland, New Jersey, on behalf of the American Association of Health Plans; Mark R. Chassin, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, New York; Gail Wilensky, Project HOPE, Bethesda, Maryland; James C. Cubbin, General Motors Corporation, Flint, Michigan; Patricia Salber, Kaiser Permanente, Oakland, California; and Peter Berman, Los Angeles, California.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* Committee ordered favorably reported S. Res. 39, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the amendment authorizes \$4,350,000 for the sole purpose of conducting an investigation of illegal activities in connection with 1996 Federal election campaigns.)

Prior to this action, committee concluded hearings on S. Res. 39 (listed above), after receiving testimony from Senators Thompson and Glenn.

### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to consider pending committee business, but made no announcements, and recessed subject to call.

### BABY BOOMER RETIREMENT

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the challenges of providing health and income security for baby boomers who will begin retirement in the year 2010, and the impact on Federal programs affecting the elderly, after receiving testimony from Gail R. Wilensky, Project HOPE, Bethesda, Maryland; David M. Walker, Arthur Andersen, Atlanta, Georgia; Dallas L. Salisbury, Employee Benefit Research Institute, and Barry P. Bosworth, Brookings Institution, both of Washington, D.C.; Madelyn Hochstein, DYG, Inc., Danbury, Connecticut; Olivia S. Mitchell, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia; Robert N. Butler, Mount Sinai Medical Center, New York, New York, on behalf of the Alliance for Aging Research; and H. James Towey, Commission on Aging With Dignity, Tallahassee, Florida.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 35 public bills, H.R. 963–997; 2 private bills, H.R. 998–999; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 60–61, H. Con. Res. 39–41, and H. Res. 84–86, were introduced.

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**Reports Filed:** One report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 852, to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, popularly known as the Paperwork Reduction Act, to minimize the burden of Federal paperwork demands upon small businesses, educational and nonprofit institutions, Federal contractors, State and local governments, and other persons through the sponsorship and use of alternative information technologies (H. Rept. 105–7 Part I).

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Quinn to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Journal:** By a yea-and-nay vote of 355 yeas to 43 nays, Roll No. 33, the House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, March 5.

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**Motion to Adjourn:** Rejected the Miller of California motion to adjourn (rejected by a yea-and-nay vote of 75 yeas to 293 nays, Roll No. 32).

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**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 1997; and agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 11 for morning-hour debate.

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**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, March 12.

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**Committee Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Blumenauer wherein he resigned from the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

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**Committee Election:** The House agreed to H. Res. 84, electing Representative Blumenauer to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Representative Kucinich to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and Representative McDermott to the Committee on the Budget. **Page H774**

**Suspension—Washington, D.C. City Council Contract Reform:** By a yea-and-nay vote of 390 yeas to 7 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 34, the House voted to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 513, to exempt certain contracts entered into by the government of the District of Columbia from review by the Council of the District of Columbia. **Page H777**

**Joint Committee Election:** The House agreed to H. Res. 85 electing the following Members to serve with the Chairman of the Committee on House Oversight: Representatives Ney, Granger, Hoyer, and Gejdenson to the Joint Committee on Printing and Representatives Ney, Ehlers, Kilpatrick, and Gejdenson to the Joint Committee of Congress on the Library. **Pages H777–78**

**Motion to Adjourn:** Rejected the Miller of California motion to adjourn (rejected by a yea-and-nay vote of 84 yeas to 312 nays, Roll No. 35). **Page H778**

**Committee Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Kucinich wherein he resigns from the Committee on International Relations. **Page H778**

**Presidential Message—Trade Policy:** Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his 1997 Trade Policy Agenda and 1996 Annual Report on the Trade Agreements Program—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. **Pages H778–79**

**Leave of Absence:** Read a letter from Representative Bishop wherein he requests a leave of absence from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. **Page H795**

**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H769.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H769–70, H776–77, H777, and H778. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 3:21 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the

Commodity Futures Trading Commission and on the Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services. Testimony was heard from the following: Brooksley Born, Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; the following officials of the USDA: Dallas R. Smith, Acting Under Secretary, Farm and Foreign Agriculture Services; and Grant B. Buntrock, Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

### **COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary held a hearing on the Bureau of Export Administration, Department of Commerce and on the Federal Courts; the Administrative Office and the Federal Judicial Center. Testimony was heard from William A. Reinsch, Under Secretary, Export Administration, Department of Commerce; the following officials of the Judicial Conference: Judge John Heyburn, Chairman; and Judge William Young, Co-Chairman; Leonidas Ralph Mecham, Director, Administrative Office, U.S. Courts; Judge Rya Zobel, Director, Federal Judicial Center.

### **ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on TVA and on the Appalachian Regional Commission. Testimony was heard from Craven Crowell, Chairman, TVA; and the following officials of the Appalachian Regional Commission: Kirk Fordice, Governor, State of Mississippi, State's Co-Chairman; and Jesse L. White, Jr., Federal Co-Chairman.

### **INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior continued appropriation hearings, with emphasis on Indian Programs. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **LABOR—HHS—EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on National Institute of Arthritis, Musculoskeletal and Skin Disease, the National Center for Research Resources, the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and the National Institute of Dental Research. Testimony was heard from Stephen Katz, M.D., Director, National Institute of Arthritis, Musculoskeletal and Skin Disease; Judith L. Vaitukaitis, M.D., Director, National Center for Research Resources; Duane Alexander, M.D., Director, National Institute of Child Health and